

Title:

French 3

Course duration:

20 weekly sessions of two hours

Minimum entry requirements:

- GCSE grade C or above, CEFR A2 or equivalent
- or 80 hours of tuition and 80 hours of self-study

Students should be able to:

- describe yourself and others, your character and personality and that of others;
- express opinions, likes and dislikes; actively participate in simple verbal communications regarding simple and routine tasks and exchange information on familiar topics, e.g. present and past experiences and future events;
- write simple emails, messages and notes relating to everyday matters;
- understand commonly used phrases and vocabulary relating to everyday matters as listed in the post-beginners' section above when listening to recordings in the target language and extract specific information from them;
- extract specific information from simple texts written in the target language relating to topics listed in the post-beginners' section above

Please note: If you have an AS or A level in French, you cannot register for French 3

Commitment to:

- attend at least 70% of the classes
- study outside the classroom for at least two hours per week
- complete homework and coursework assignments

Course aims:

To enable students to:

- reach level A2+/B1 of the Common European Framework
- consolidate the four language skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, and to expand vocabulary and linguistic structures previously acquired
- prove insights into the societies of the target language speaking countries
- gain communicative competence

Learning outcomes:

On completion of this module, students should be able to:

- demonstrate an awareness of the cultural and social diversity and etiquette of the target language speaking countries
- demonstrate an insight into the business etiquette of the target language speaking countries
- communicate confidently on everyday issues, aspects of work and study and selected current affairs topics
- give simple presentations
- produce written materials for a variety of routine matters, e.g. informal and formal letters, enquiries, complaints, CVs, applications
- obtain information about key general and business tasks by listening to a variety of authentic sources
- obtain information, ideas and opinions about slightly complex business tasks by reading a variety of authentic sources

Main topics of study:

Selected topics from a variety of areas of a routine nature, e.g. everyday life, university and training, professional life

Course content:

Information about oneself, friends and family; interviewing; giving and understanding information about holidays and work; formal and informal social interaction; talking about past events; expressing ideas, agreement, disagreement and preferences; giving and understanding detailed descriptions of people and places; applying for jobs; understanding small ads; making travel arrangements and hotel bookings; cultural and business etiquette; using different past tenses, the subjunctive and passive

Assessment:

Students are given the opportunity to complete a test and a portfolio in order to obtain a certificate.

Brunel Certificate of Achievement:

On successful completion of the test, portfolio and a minimum attendance of 70%, students will be awarded the Brunel Certificate of Achievement.

Course book (must be purchased):